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Eliminating the motor vehicle excise tax.

Declares that license tab fees shall be thirty dollars per year for motor vehicles, regardless of year, value, make, or model, beginning January 1, 2000.

Provides that, for the purposes of this section, "license tab fees" are defined as the general fees paid annually for licensing motor vehicles, including cars, sport utility vehicles, motorcycles, and motor homes.

Repeals provisions of chapters 82.44 and 82.50 RCW. Repeals RCW 46.16.060, 46.16.061 and 46.16.650.

-- 2000 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Mar 21 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 3161 by Representatives Thomas, Barlean, Cairnes, Campbell, Esser, DeBolt, Benson, Huff, Lisk, Lambert, Mulliken, Pflug, D. Sommers, Crouse, Mielke, Schindler, Fortunato, Delvin, Talcott, Ericksen, Clements, Pennington, Carrell, Woods, Boldt, McMorris, D. Schmidt, G. Chandler, Koster and B. Chandler

Limiting tax increases.

Provides that any tax increase imposed by the state shall require voter approval.

Declares that, for the purposes of this section, "tax" includes, but is not necessarily limited to, sales and use taxes, property taxes, business and occupation taxes, excise taxes, fuel taxes, impact fees, license fees, permit fees, and any monetary charge by government.

Declares that, for the purposes of this section, "tax" does not include: (1) Higher education tuition; and (2) civil and criminal fines and other charges collected in cases of restitution or violation of law or contract.

Declares that this act is intended to add to, and not replace, the requirements for tax increases set forth in Initiative 601, the Taxpayer Protection Act, RCW 43.135.035.

-- 2000 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Mar 21 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 3162 by Representatives Dunshee, Thomas, Talcott, Woods, Mitchell, Pennington, Boldt, Cairnes, Mielke, Esser, Bush, Alexander, DeBolt, Fortunato, Benson, Schindler, Clements, Skinner, McMorris, Radcliff, Ballasiotes, Edwards, G. Chandler, Carlson, Pflug, B. Chandler, Keiser, Conway, Ruderman, Dunn, Miloscia, Hankins, Mulliken, Huff, Lambert, McDonald, Hurst, Barlean, Scott, Wood, Kastama, Edmonds, Wolfe, Morris, Fisher and Rockefeller

Increasing property tax relief for senior citizens and disabled persons.

Increases property tax relief for senior citizens and disabled persons by providing a tax credit for taxes levied by the state, continuing tax relief while residing in adult family homes and boarding homes, allowing deduction of health care insurance when computing eligibility for tax relief, and allowing deduction of disabled veteran benefits when computing eligibility for tax relief by veterans with service-connected disabilities of at least fifty percent.

-- 2000 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Mar 21 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 3163 by Representative McIntire

Modifying vehicle taxation.

Requires the department of revenue to prepare at least once each year a depreciation schedule or schedules for use in the determination of fair market value for the purposes of chapter 82.44. RCW. The schedule shall be based upon information available to the department of revenue pertaining to the current fair market value of motor vehicles. The fair market value of a motor vehicle shall be based on the most recent purchase price depreciated according to the year of the most recent purchase of the motor vehicle.

Repeals RCW 82.44.041, 82.44.155, 82.44.157 and 82.44.160.

Directs the secretary of state to submit this act to the people for their adoption and ratification, or rejection, at the next general election to be held in this state, in accordance with Article II, section 1 of the state Constitution and the laws adopted to facilitate its operation.

Provides that, if the supreme court of the state of Washington rules in a final decision that RCW 82.44.020 has been effectively repealed by Initiative Measure No. 695, this act is null and void in its entirety.

-- 2000 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Mar 21 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 3164 by Representative McIntire

Modifying vehicle taxation.

Requires the department of revenue to prepare at least once each year a depreciation schedule or schedules for use in the determination of fair market value for the purposes of chapter 82.44. RCW. The schedule shall be based upon information available to the department of revenue pertaining to the current fair market value of motor vehicles. The fair market value of a motor vehicle shall be based on

the most recent purchase price depreciated according to the year of the most recent purchase of the motor vehicle.

Repeals RCW 82.44.041, 82.44.155, 82.44.157 and 82.44.160.

Directs the secretary of state to submit this act to the people for their adoption and ratification, or rejection, at the next general election to be held in this state, in accordance with Article II, section 1 of the state Constitution and the laws adopted to facilitate its operation.

Provides that, if the supreme court of the state of Washington rules in a final decision that RCW 82.44.020 has been effectively repealed by Initiative Measure No. 695, this act is null and void in its entirety.

-- 2000 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Mar 21 First reading, referred to Finance.

HB 3165 by Representative Sullivan

Enacting the civil service reform act of 2000.

Enacts the civil service reform act of 2000.

-- 2000 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Mar 21 First reading, referred to State Government.

House Joint Resolutions

HJR 4223 by Representatives Thomas, Cairnes, Talcott, Sump, Wensman, Ericksen, Pflug, Schindler, Delvin, Lisk, Mastin, DeBolt, McDonald, B. Chandler, Mielke, D. Sommers, Pennington, Boldt, Barlean, Esser, Ballasiotes, G. Chandler, Huff, Clements, Buck, Carrell, Lambert, Campbell, Woods, Fortunato, D. Schmidt and Mulliken

Amending the Constitution to require voter approval of tax increases.

Proposes an amendment to the Constitution to require voter approval of tax increases.

-- 2000 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Mar 21 First Reading.

Senate Bills

SB 6404-S2 by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Loveland and Rossi; by request of Governor Locke)

Making supplemental operating and capital appropriations.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/10/00)

Makes supplemental operating appropriations.

-- 2000 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Mar 10 WM - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
2nd substitute bill substituted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed: yeas, 27; nays, 18; absent, 4.

- IN THE HOUSE -

Mar 21 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

SB 6499-S2 by Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Haugen, Goings, Gardner and Patterson; by request of Governor Locke)

Funding transportation.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/10/00)

Makes supplemental transportation appropriations.

-- 2000 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Mar 10 TRAN - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
2nd substitute bill substituted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed: yeas, 26; nays, 19; absent, 4.

- IN THE HOUSE -

Mar 21 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6845-S by Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Loveland and Snyder)

Reconciling actual revenues and the expenditure limit.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/10/00)

Amends RCW 43.135.045 relating to the emergency reserve fund.

Provides that the treasurer shall make transfers between these accounts as necessary to reconcile actual annual revenues and the expenditure limit for fiscal year 1999 and thereafter.

Declares that the emergency reserve fund balance shall not exceed five percent of annual general fund--state revenues as projected by the official state revenue forecast. Any balance in excess of five percent shall be transferred on a quarterly basis by the state treasurer to the education construction fund hereby created in the treasury.

-- 2000 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Mar 10 WM - Majority; 1st substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
1st substitute bill substituted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed: yeas, 26; nays, 21; absent, 2.

- IN THE HOUSE -

Mar 21 First reading, referred to Appropriations.

SB 6856-S2 by Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Goings, Gardner, Haugen, Prentice and Jacobsen)

Revising transportation funding.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/10/00)

Creates the multimodal fund in the state treasury. Revenues under RCW 82.08.020 must be deposited into the fund as provided in that section.

Moneys in the fund may be spent only after appropriation. Expenditures from the fund may be used only for transportation purposes.

Declares that the legislature has evidenced its intent to place the revenue from car rental taxes into the transportation fund for transportation purposes. Due to the recent repeal of the transportation fund, the legislature creates the multimodal fund for the deposit of car rental tax revenues.

Repeals RCW 82.44.180.

-- 2000 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Mar 10 TRAN - Majority; 2nd substitute bill be substituted, do pass.
Minority; do not pass.
Passed to Rules Committee for second reading.
Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.
2nd substitute bill substituted.
Floor amendment(s) adopted.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.

Third reading, passed: yeas, 27; nays, 18; absent, 4.

- IN THE HOUSE -

Mar 21 First reading, referred to Transportation.

SB 6864 by Senators McCaslin, Patterson, Horn, Haugen, Gardner, Heavey, Morton, Fraser, Johnson, Honeyford, B. Sheldon, Rossi, Snyder, Deccio, Zarelli, Hale, West, Stevens and Kohl-Welles

Expanding the types of accomplishments that legislators may recognize by an individual letter to a constituent.

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-- 2000 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Mar 17 First reading, referred to State & Local Government.

SB 6865 by Senators Loveland, Snyder, Eide, Franklin, McCaslin, Horn, Bauer, T. Sheldon, McAuliffe, Hargrove, Zarelli, Shin, Hale, Swecker, Long, Winsley, Haugen, Gardner, Deccio, Rossi, Patterson, Costa, Rasmussen, Roach, Goings, Benton, Johnson, Honeyford, Stevens, Oke and West

Replacing vehicle excise taxes with a fixed license fee.

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 3/17/00)

Replaces motor vehicle, travel trailer, and camper excise taxes with a thirty dollar fee.

Repeals RCW 46.16.060, 46.16.061, 46.16.650, 82.44.020, 82.44.030, 82.50.400, 82.50.405, and 82.50.410.

-- 2000 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Mar 17 Read first time, rules suspended, and placed on second reading calendar.
Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
Third reading, passed: yeas, 39; nays, 9; absent, 1.

- IN THE HOUSE -

Mar 21 First Reading.

SB 6866 by Senator Swecker

Restricting local government expenditures.

Declares that a political subdivision of the state shall not expend from its general expense budget during any fiscal year moneys in excess of the local expenditure limit established under this act.

Provides that a political subdivision shall not issue or redeem any check, warrant, or voucher that will result in an expenditure for any fiscal year in excess of the local expenditure limit established under this act.

Declares that the political subdivision's expenditure limit for any fiscal year shall be the previous fiscal year's expenditure limit increased by a percentage rate that equals the previous year's local fiscal growth factor.

Provides that, after January 1, 2001, a political subdivision may exceed the local expenditure limit if: (1) The expenditure has been approved by a majority of the voters of the political subdivision; or

(2) the legislative authority of the political subdivision has declared an emergency by a two-thirds vote of the legislative authority.

Directs the secretary of state to submit this act to the people for their adoption and ratification, or rejection, at the next general election to be held in this state, in accordance with Article II, section 1 of the state Constitution and the laws adopted to facilitate its operation.

-- 2000 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Mar 21 First reading, referred to State & Local Government.

house of representatives receives a majority vote of the entire membership of the house of representatives, the secretary of state shall serve as presiding officer of the house of representatives. When presiding, the secretary of state shall have no vote unless the house of representatives is equally divided, including organizational matters and final passage of bills, and shall be counted as a member of the house of representatives for the purpose of determining a majority under Article II, section 22 in such matters. While acting as presiding officer of the house of representatives, all statutory duties of the presiding officer shall be performed by the secretary of state.

-- 2000 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Mar 16 First reading, referred to State & Local Government.

SB 6867 by Senator Swecker

Restricting local government expenditures.

Declares that a political subdivision of the state shall not expend from its general expense budget during any fiscal year moneys in excess of the local expenditure limit established under this act.

Provides that a political subdivision shall not issue or redeem any check, warrant, or voucher that will result in an expenditure for any fiscal year in excess of the local expenditure limit established under this act.

Declares that the political subdivision's expenditure limit for any fiscal year shall be the previous fiscal year's expenditure limit increased by a percentage rate that equals the previous year's local fiscal growth factor.

Provides that, after January 1, 2001, a political subdivision may exceed the local expenditure limit if: (1) The expenditure has been approved by a majority of the voters of the political subdivision; or

(2) the legislative authority of the political subdivision has declared an emergency by a two-thirds vote of the legislative authority.

-- 2000 1ST SPECIAL SESSION --

Mar 21 First reading, referred to State & Local Government.

Senate Joint Resolutions

SJR 8218 by Senators Patterson, Gardner, Kline, Franklin, Kohl-Welles, Goings, Haugen and T. Sheldon

Providing for the secretary of state to be presiding officer of the house of representatives when no party has a majority.

Proposes an amendment to the state Constitution to provide that when no candidate for presiding officer of the